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C O N F I D E N T I A L COPENHAGEN 3151

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SUBJECT: DANISH OFFICIAL'S VIEWS OF EUROPEAN SUMMIT

REF: COPENHAGEN 3120 AND 3141 (BOTH NOTAL)

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SUMMARY: DANES EXPECT HEADS OF GOVERNMENT TO AGREE THAT INFORMAL SUMMITS WILL TAKE PLACE REGULARLY, PERHAPS TWICE A YEAR. WHILE THERE WILL BE NO COMMUNIQUE OR DECLARATION AFTER THIS WEEK'S SUMMIT, IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT PRIME MINISTER ANKER JORGENSEN WILL HAVE AN "AGREED LINE" WHEN HE MEETS WITH THE PRESS. FOREIGN MINISTERS IN THEIR SEPARATE MEETINGS WILL PROBABLY CONCENTRATE ON THE MIDDLE EAST, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE OF A REPORT JUST RECEIVED THAT SIX ARAB FOREIGN MINISTERS WILL BE IN COPENHAGEN CONCURRENTLY WITH THE SUMMIT.

END SUMMARY.

1. IN A DISCUSSION WITH THE CHARGE DEC. 12MFA'S PERMANENT UNDERSECRETARY EIGEL JORGENSEN DISCUSSED THE FORTHCOMING SUMMIT.

2. INSTITUTIONALIZATION: POMPIDOU'S IDEA HAS BEEN GENERALLY ACCEPTED AND JORGENSEN BELIEVES THAT INFORMAL SUMMITS WILL NOW BE HELD REGULARLY, PROBABLY EVERY SIX MONTHS SO THEY CAN COINCIDE WITH THE CHAIRMANSHIP. BRANDT, FOR EXAMPLE, WILL CERTAINLY WANT ONE IN BONN, JORGENSEN SAID. THE FRENCH, BRITISH AND GERMANS, AT LEAST, WERE NOW GENERALLY AGREED THAT THESE SUMMITS WOULD BE PRINCIPALLY FOR EXCHANGES OF VIEWS AMONG HEADS OF GOVERNMENT. THEY WOULD NOT BE A SUPER COUNCIL TO TAKE DECISIONS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE TREATY OF ROME. IF THEY WERE, JORGENSEN SAID, THE MINISTERS WOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE NO FURTHER DECISIONS OF ANY CONSEQUENCE SINCE THE TENDENCY WOULD BE TO REFER EVERYTHING TO HEADS OF GOVERNMENT. HE HAD NOT HEARD ANY TALK OF A SECRETARIAT, NOR DID HE BELIEVE THAT THERE WOULD BE ONE, AT LEAST NOT IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE. HE HAD COME TO THE CONCLUSION, AND HE THOUGHT THIS WAS GENERALLY SHARED, THAT THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS HAD DONE QUITE GOOD WORK IN COORDINATING THE POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS. THEY REPRESENTED GOVERNMENTS, AND IT DID NOT SEEM USEFUL AT THIS STAGE TO SET UP AN ORGANIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL SERVANTS WHO WOULD PRODUCE PAPERS WHICH GOVERNMENTS MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT.

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3. PUBLIC STATEMENT: IT IS NOT INTENDED THAT THE SUMMIT RESULT IN A COMMUNIQUE OR A DECLARATION. ALL THAT HAS BEEN DECIDED SO FAR IS THAT PRIME MINISTER JORGENSEN WILL MEET WITH THE PRESS AS THE CONCLUSION, PROBABLY LATE SATURDAY AFTERNOON. IT WOULD BE ONLY NATURAL, JORGENSEN SAID, THAT THERE BE AN "AGREED LINE" FROM WHICH JORGENSEN COULD TALK, BUT HE DID NOT THINK IT WOULD BE ANYTHING

MORE FORMAL THAN THAT. HE THOUGHT THAT POMPIDOU AND BRANDT WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY BE WITH JORGENSEN WHEN HE MET THE PRESS (BRANDT AS THE NEXT CHAIRMAN AND POMPIDOU AS THE FATHER OF THE IDEA OF THE PRESENT SUMMIT) AND PERHAPS OTHERS, ALTHOUGH SEVERAL HAVE INDICATED THEY HAVE TO LEAVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

4. FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING: CHARGE ASKED IF FOREGIN MINISTERS MEETINGS WILL BE AS AGENDA-LESS AND UNSTRUCTURED AS HEADS OF GOVERNMENT MEETINGS, WITH HICH THEY WILL BE CONCURRENT. JORGENSEN REPLIED THAT AN ATTEMPT WAS NOW BEING MADE TO WORK OUT SOME SORT OF AGENDA FOR THE FONMINS, ALTHOUGH NOT A RIGID ONE. HE STRNGLY SUSPECTED THAT THE FONMINS WOULD SPEND A GOOD PART OF THEIR TIME TRYING TO DECIDE HOW TO HANDLE THE SIX ARABIAN FONMINS WHO, HE HAD JUST BEEN INFORMED, WOULD "COINCIDENTALLY" BE IN COPENHAGEN AT THE TIME OF THE SUMMIT. AS GIVEN JORGENSEN BY THE MOROCCAN EMBASSY, THESE WOULD BE THE FONMINS OF MOROCCO, ALGERIA, TUNIS, SUDAN, SAUDI ARABIA AND THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. THIS WAS OF COURSE A NOT TOO SUBTLE ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE NINE BUT JORGENSEN SAID THE DANES AT LEAST -- AND HE THOUGHT THE OTHER EIGHT GENERALLY AGREED -- PLANNED TO STICK TO THE LINES OF THEIR NOV. 6 RESOLUTION IN TALKS WITH THE ARABS. HE DID NOT KNOW HOW THE ARAB MINISTERS WOULD BE HANDLED HERE, BUT DOUBTED THEY WOULD MEET WITH THE FONMINS OF THE NINE EN BLOC (ONE DAISH PAPER SAYS THE FRENCH ARE PUSHING THE IDEA OF AN ECONOMIC SUMMIT OF THE NINE AND OIL-PRODUCING ARAB STATES). (A BRITISH EMBASSY OFFICER TOLD US THAT BRITISH AND FRENCH ARE OPPOSED TO ANY STATEMENT ON OIL AT THE SUMMIT. QUERIED WHETHER DTUCH, AMONG OTHERS, WOULD BE SATISFIED WITH THIS, HE REPLIED THAT SINCE DUTCH WERE GETTING OIL

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IN ANY CASE, IT WOULD BE BETTER TO AVOID "RINING DECLARATIONS" THAT WOULD HAVE EUROPE UNITED BUT FREEZING.)

5. IN RESPONSE TO ANOTHER QUESTION,JORGENSEN SAID THAT HE THOUGHT THE FONMINS WOULD DEVOTE SOME TIME TO A DISCUSSION OF US-EC RELATIONS, PARTICULARLY IN THE LIGHT OF THEIR MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY DEC. 11 IN BRUSSELS. THIS, HOWEVER, WOULD BE DISTINCTLY SECONDARY TO THEIR CONSIDERATION OF PRESSING MIDDLE EST AND ENERGY PROBLEMS.

6. SCHEEL NOT CLMING: JORGENSEN SAID THAT FRG FONMIN SCHEEL WILL NOT BE ABLE TO COME TO COPENHAGEN (BECAUSE OF AN OPERATION, WE HEAR FROM THE GERMAN AMBASSADOR). BRANDT WILL THEREFORE BE ACCOMPAINED

BY STATE SECRETARIES FRANK AND APEL.

7. COMMENT: JORGENSEN IS HIMSELF STILL DIVIDING HIS TIME BETWEEN HIS NEW POSITION AS NO. 2 IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND HIS AMBASSADORSHIP IN BONN, WHERE HE ENDEAVORS TO SPEND A FEW DAYS EACH WEEK. HE WILL TAKE OVER FULL TIME IN THE MINISTRY ON FEB. 1, WHEN HE WILL BE REPLACED IN BONN BY PRESENT POLITICAL DIRECTOR OLDENBURG. HIS PLEASANT AND COOPERATIVE MANNER AS WELL AS HIS ALL-ROUND TALENT HAVE MADE HIM A NATURAL CHOICE FOR THE DIFFICULT POSITION OF "RUNNING" THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. DUNNIGAN

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